



**PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON
FISHERIES HOTLINE
(360) 902-2500**

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Week 33

Thursday August 4th at 3:00 p.m.

[read by: Kwasi Addae]

Area 7 and 7A sockeye fisheries are controlled by the Fraser River Panel and are not posted on this hotline. Fishers should call the **National Marine Fisheries Service Hotline at 1-800-662-9825** to get opening information on Fraser Panel fisheries. Fishers are reminded that a department issued **Fish Friendly certification card is required** to participate in any Area 7 or 7A commercial salmon fisheries.

For the week beginning Sunday August 7th all areas are closed except as follows:

Areas 7B (Bellingham Bay) and 7C (Samish Bay) will be open to:

Gillnets using 7-inch minimum mesh size:

7 PM Sunday, August 7th to 8 AM Monday, August 8th.

7 PM Monday, August 8th to 8 AM Tuesday, August 9th.

7 PM Tuesday, August 9th to 8 AM Wednesday August 10th.

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Wednesday August 10th from 6 AM to 8 PM.

Brailing is required and purse seines must release all coho.

The portion of Area 12C within 2,000 feet of the western shore between the dock at Glen Ayr Recreational Vehicle Park and the Hoodsport Marina dock, also referred to as the Hoodsport Hatchery Zone will be open to:

Beach seines with nets not to exceed 990 feet in length and 200 meshes in depth using minimum 3-inch and maximum 4-inch mesh:

7 AM to 7 PM daily, Monday August 8th and Wednesday August 10th

Beach seines must release all chum.

Participation is limited to those with a department issued beach seine permit and all rules and regulations associated with that permit remain in effect.

If you suspect an error in this message or if you have questions, please contact Kendall Henry, the Puget Sound Commercial Salmon Fisheries Manager, at 360-902-2717.

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